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## Resources for Working Virtually

The Family Liaison Office's Global Employment Initiative has created this collection of sites connecting employers with professionals seeking to work virtually. Because so many companies are starting to see the benefits of hiring employees who work from home, don't limit your job search research to the companies noted here. Visit the websites of companies that interest you to find out if they offer telecommuting job opportunities and apply for the ones that interest you.

Always proceed with caution when responding to advertisements to work for companies that you are not already familiar with. Be wary of potential scams that target people looking for opportunities to work from home. Keep in mind that no legitimate employer will ask applicants to pay money to apply for employment.

- [Elance.com](#), [Guru.com](#), [Odesk.com](#), [Maven.co](#), [Freelancer.com](#), and [Clickworker.com](#) all connect employers with professionals looking for teleworking projects or positions. On these platforms businesses hire professionals to complete specific projects. Freelance professionals create online profiles and portfolios, submit proposals for jobs that interest them, and manage both work and receive payment through the site. As they are global sites, salaries tend to be lower.
- [Wahm.com](#), [Hiremymom.com](#), [momcorps.com](#) are geared to "mom professionals". They can market their skills, experience and education to businesses needing to outsource work.
- [WorldwideWorkatHome.com](#), [RatRaceRebellion.com](#) offers information and resources relating to work at home jobs, telecommuting, freelance work, home business ideas, and more. It includes a list serve with screened work at home positions.
- [Flexforceprofessionals.com](#) has some virtual positions that tend to be higher level.
- [Mygengo.com](#), offers translations services online through thousands of professional translators. Translators can be located anywhere, and pick assignments they want to work on anytime. There are many other translation sites like this one.
- [Voices.com](#) is an online marketplace for voiceover talent.
- [Poptent.net](#) is a social collaboration site for producing commercials with other professionals - for small organizations to Fortune 500 companies.
- [Imagebrief.com](#) is an online marketplace for image buyers and professional photographers.
- [Behance.net](#) This is an online marketplace where artists and creative types (photographers, graphic designers, illustrators, etc.) can showcase their work and search for part-time jobs and freelance opportunities.
- [Zirtual](#), [Virtual Office Temps](#), [VirtualAssistants.com](#) Virtual assistant jobs and other work-at-home jobs including travel planning, research, data entry, customer service, editing, computer programming, and medical transcription. Long and short term projects.

## Job Boards that Require Subscriptions

Some telecommuting websites require job seekers to pay for access to job listings. If you are committed to seeking a telecommuting opportunity, joining one of these sites can be a great way to find out about employment possibilities. Look for a job board that screens job openings that are published to the site. Ideally, you want to choose one that allows employers to publish work from home employment opportunities free or for a very low rate, but that also verifies that postings are for legitimate positions.

Fee based subscription sites you may want to investigate include:

- [Flexjobs.com](http://Flexjobs.com)
- [Teleworkrecruiting.com](http://Teleworkrecruiting.com)
- [Virtualvocations.com](http://Virtualvocations.com)

Before paying to join any subscription site, make sure that the site doesn't simply republish job openings you can find online yourself.

## Job Searching the Old Fashioned Way

In your favorite job search engine, conduct a search of the following key words: remote, work at home, work-at-home, WAH, telework. You'll be surprised at the variety of jobs that turn up.

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